



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

November 4, 2016

OFFICE OF
AIR AND RADIATION

The Honorable Cory A. Booker
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Booker:

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The EPA shares your concerns regarding the impacts of pollution on communities surrounding port and freight operations. I am pleased to report on recent progress that has been accomplished in addressing the environmental impacts of freight operations. On September 7, 2016, the Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC) voted unanimously to submit to the EPA a report from the Ports Initiative Workgroup of the Mobile Sources Technical Review Subcommittee (MSTRS) containing recommendations on the development of an EPA-led voluntary program to improve environmental performance at ports. The EPA is now reviewing the recommendations, which will inform our ongoing work to improve air quality at our nation's ports.

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Enclosed please find an updated summary of the many steps the EPA has taken to address air pollution from freight sources. Also enclosed for your information is our June 2, 2016 response to Mr. Angelo Logan of the Moving Forward Network sent as follow up to EPA's recent meeting with the Moving Forward Network members.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Patricia Haman in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at haman.patricia@epa.gov or at (202) 564-2806.

Sincerely,



Janet G. McCabe
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The Honorable Jeffrey A. Merkley
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
United States Senate
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The Honorable Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senate
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